

**QUIZ 02-XXII CYCLE****PART 1: UNDERLINE THE CORRECT WORD(S). GRAMMAR**

Example: Karen offered to lend / **lending** me her car when mine was being repaired.

1. Jack encouraged **me to try** / **that I try** a new hairdresser's.
2. John regretted **not asking** / **to not ask** how much the hotel was before he booked it.
3. Sheila insisted **on paying** / **to pay** for all our drinks.
4. Peter convinced me **not to give up** / **not giving up** playing soccer.
5. I suggested **to buy** / **buying** Anne some flowers, but Lisa said she'd prefer chocolates.
6. My neighbor threatened **to cut** / **cutting** down the trees in the garden.

**PART 2: COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH THE CORRECT PASSIVE FORM OF THE VERB IN PARENTHESES. GRAMMAR**

Example: Nobody has been told (tell) the time of the exam yet.

1. It's difficult to avoid \_\_\_\_\_ (photograph) by paparazzi when you're famous.
2. The gym is closed this week – it \_\_\_\_\_ (redecorate).
3. I saw Miranda in the art exhibition. She \_\_\_\_\_ (show) around by one of the artists.
4. Drivers shouldn't \_\_\_\_\_ (fine) for parking ten minutes longer than they've paid for.
5. The Cubs refused \_\_\_\_\_ (beat) and ended up winning the game.
6. The couple \_\_\_\_\_ (think) to have escaped to France.

**PART 3: COMPLETE THE WORDS IN THE SENTENCES. (VOCABULARY)**

Example: The man had committed several previous crimes for which he was also charged.

1. The **v**\_\_\_\_\_ of the jury was that Mr. Anderson was guilty of all charges.
2. The man was charged with **s**\_\_\_\_\_ after following Miss Stevens everywhere.
3. Cigarettes are often **s**\_\_\_\_\_ into the UK because the tax is so high on them there.
4. Two **w**\_\_\_\_\_ described seeing the attack from their bedroom windows.
5. After being **q**\_\_\_\_\_ by police for several hours, the woman confessed to the crime.
6. Both men were **s**\_\_\_\_\_ to three years in prison.

**PART 4: COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH THE CORRECT WORD. (VOCABULARY)**

freelance	sensationalist	reviews	vows	commentator	biased	newsreader
gossip	reporter	censored	<b>paparazzi</b>			

Example: Photographers who follow famous people around and sell photos to the newspapers are called paparazzi.

- 1 That news report isn't at all objective – it's very \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Critics have given the new show very favorable \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 The internet isn't \_\_\_\_\_, so you can read stories there that aren't in the newspapers.
- 4 Bill doesn't work for one single newspaper He's a \_\_\_\_\_ journalist.
- 5 Ellen was a war \_\_\_\_\_ until she had children. She writes about local politics now.
- 6 The \_\_\_\_\_ on the tennis final screamed with joy when Andy Murray won.
- 7 I read that magazine for all the celebrity \_\_\_\_\_ – it's fun, but I know it's not all true.
- 8 They use such strong language in their news stories – it's too \_\_\_\_\_ for me.
- 9 I loved it when that very serious \_\_\_\_\_ couldn't stop laughing as he read one story.
- 10 The government \_\_\_\_\_ to reduce taxes before the next election.

**PART 5: READ THE ARTICLE ABOUT A WRITER'S LIFE. FIVE SENTENCES HAVE BEEN REMOVED.**

**CHOOSE FROM THE SENTENCES A-F THE ONE WHICH FITS EACH GAP (1-5). THERE IS ONE EXTRA SENTENCE YOU DO NOT NEED TO USE.**

**A WRITER'S LIFE**

My biggest dream has always been to become an author. As an enthusiastic reader since I was a toddler, books have been a steady influence, a friend, and an escape. (1\_\_\_\_) To me, reading is second only to breathing. From cereal boxes to fiction, I devour anything and everything I can get hold of. I read from morning, while eating breakfast, to night, before going to sleep. Some of my favorite genres include contemporary women's novels and thrillers.

I guess this love of books is what drove me to become a writer. The fact that I am always talking, thinking, and plotting helped me with my ambition. I have a need to create and to put into words feelings, thoughts, and desires. To me, books should present a welcome break from the stresses of every day, a way to relax and unwind. There are horrors all around us. (2\_\_\_\_) Novels can carry people away to another place and allow them to forget, for a short time at least, all the awful things in life. Any type of reading inspires the brain and gives a change of pace. Children require fantasy and play, and adults also need a break from reality.

Exciting as it is to be able to inspire others, an author's career is lonely and often dull. Writing requires self-control and determination, and writers, as well as having knowledge of the difficulty of getting published, need to be able to deal with criticism. For every potential writer that there is out there, many give up or fail. I kept trying with the burning desire to do well. (3\_\_\_\_\_) I needed to try to see if I could do it.

My first writing experience was as a reporter for a small newspaper almost twenty years ago. I submitted two articles for each of the three months the paper was published. The first month, I was given a bridal show to cover, and I had to write an article on how to prepare an elegant, yet inexpensive, wedding. Two local newspapers gave me assignments for various topics, and I realized this is an excellent way to learn the basics as a writer. (4\_\_\_\_\_)

My goal was to write fiction. Whether creating short stories or "the great American novel," I enjoy fantasy and making up fictitious people and tales about their lives. Although I prefer genres suited to adults, I decided to try writing a children's book. I first started working on this in 1995, and after reading the extremely rough draft, I recognized the text was a mix of information just thrown together and was too much for children to understand. I broke up the ideas, planning to turn them into four books.

Unfortunately, life took over, and I had to put the book on hold for a while. After my husband and I moved, I returned to reporting, receiving several assignments for a local magazine and two national and international food-trade magazines.

(5\_\_\_\_\_ ) The desire to complete and submit the book for publication was as strong as ever. Fortunately, I became a member of a wonderful group that offered support as well as excellent suggestions. My book, a children's book intended for ages 8 – 12, was accepted by a publisher and released three years ago. The sequel is almost completed for submission, and to this, I hope to add two or three more to the series, though all of the books work equally well on their own.

Between writing, reading, reviewing, and being with family, I enjoy a busy and happy life. I may never become well-known, but my dream has been satisfied. I encourage anyone who wants to write to "just do it."

- A.** I could not go through life wondering if I would be successful or not.
- B.** Nevertheless, I kept returning to the children's novel I had in my head.

C. After all, we just have to pick up a newspaper or turn on the news to realize how much crime there is in society.

D. Meanwhile, four unfinished adult contemporary novels are calling to me, and I plan to get to them one day.

E. Although I found reporting enjoyable, I recognized this was not the type of writing I wanted to do.

F. I cannot imagine living without the written word.

**PART 6: READ THE ARTICLE AND CIRCLE THE CORRECT ANSWER A,B, or C.****FIRE DEVASTATES CUTTY SARK**

The Cutty Sark ship, one of London's most popular tourist attractions, \_\_\_\_\_

(1) (devastate) by a fire, which police think may \_\_\_\_\_ (2) (start) on purpose.

More than 40 fire fighters \_\_\_\_\_ (3) (call) to the 138-year-old tea clipper ship in Greenwich early on Monday morning.

The ship had recently been closed to visitors so improvements costing £25 million could \_\_\_\_\_ (4) (carry) out.

A spokesman for the London fire service said the whole ship \_\_\_\_\_ (5) (affect) by the massive fire but nobody \_\_\_\_\_ (6) (hurt).

Police don't know what caused the fire yet, but said they were treating it as suspicious.

That means the fire may \_\_\_\_\_ (7) (start) on purpose rather than by accident.

Chris Livett, from the group which looks after the ship, said the fire was a significant setback but they were determined to put the ship back together again.

He said the decks could not \_\_\_\_\_ (8) (save) but the damage didn't appear as bad as first feared.

Half the planking, as well as all the old artefacts on board, escaped damage as they \_\_\_\_\_ (9) (remove) while the refurbishment work was under way.

He added: "She's been through storms and hurricanes. She's been battling all her life. She's not dead yet, far from it."

The Cutty Sark \_\_\_\_\_ (10) (use) to carry tea around the world in the 19th century.

It now sits at a dry dock at Greenwich as a living museum.

1. A. has been devastated      b. was devastated      c. devastated
2. A. were started      b. have been started      c. was been started
3. A. were called      b. been called      c. was called
4. A. have been carried      b. were carried      c. be carried
5. A. were affected      b. was being affected      c. was affected
6. A. was hurt      b. was hurted      c. was being hurt

7. A. have been started      b. has been started      c. have started
8. A. was saved      b. were saved      c. be saved
9. A. has been removed      b. have removed      c. had been removed
10. A. was used      b. were used      c. is used